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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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Box No. I Basis of the report

Box No. II Priority

Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability

Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention

Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

Box No. VI Certain documents cited

Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application

Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language English
which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:

international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))
 publication of the international application (under Rule 12.4)
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2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on (*replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report*):

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the description:
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the description, pages _____
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-21	YES
	Claims	None	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-21	YES
	Claims	None	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-21	YES
	Claims	None	NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Reference is made to the following document:

D1=EP 369163

1. Novelty and Inventive Step

Claim 1 of the present invention relates to a filter for removing the particulate in the exhaust gas from a diesel engine consisting of an oxidizing catalyst manufactured by impregnating colloid solution of platinum salt and platinum metallic salt; and a catalyst filter manufactured by impregnating one or more platinum metallic salt or platinum salt. Claim 13 relates to a method of manufacturing the filter for removing the particulate in the exhaust gas from a diesel engine featuring by the following steps: manufacturing an oxidizing catalyst by impregnating colloid solution of platinum salt and platinum metallic salt and forming a catalyst filter manufactured by impregnating one or more mixed metallic salt or platinum salt into colloid solution.

D1 relates to a particulate removing catalyst filter in which an oxidizing catalyst is carried on the surface portions of an air-permeable substrate through which the exhaust gas is adapted to be passed, and a particulate removing catalyst filter in which a catalyst is carried on a thin wire net or metallic plate having a plurality of fine through-holes. The exhaust gas from a diesel engine is forcibly passed through the filter, thereby to remove particulates in the exhaust gas.

Comparing claim 1 and 13 with D1, there is no remarkable difference in the art of a filter for removing the particulate in the exhaust gas from a diesel engine. However, not disclosed in D1 is the art of an oxidizing catalyst manufactured by impregnating colloid solution of platinum salt and platinum metallic salt, and a catalyst filter manufactured by impregnating one or more mixed metallic salt or platinum salt of claims 1 and 13.

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Supplemental Box**In case the space in any of the preceding boxes is not sufficient.****Continuation of:**

Box No. V

Accordingly, claims 1 and 13 meet the criteria set out in Article 33(2) and (3) PCT since D1 does not teach or fairly suggest an oxidizing catalyst manufactured by impregnating colloid solution of platinum salt and platinum metallic salt, and a catalyst filter manufactured by impregnating one or more mixed metallic salt or platinum salt. Claims 2-12 and 14-21 also comply with Article 33(2) and (3) PCT as they are dependent claims on claims 1 and 13 respectively.

2. Industrial Applicability

The subject matter of claims 1-21 is considered to be industrially applicable under Article 33(4) PCT.